## PROCESS RAMAN

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**GAS** 

CHROMATOGRAPHY

#### WHAT IS RAMAN?

Raman spectroscopy is an optical analysis technique. It relies on the measurement of the vibrational properties of molecules. Raman has revolutionized process analysis with its high-resolution compositional data, linear response to concentration, non-destructive nature, ability to measure samples in real-time, and NO sampling system or carrier gasses.

#### WHY RAMAN?

The manufacturing industry has relied on Gas Chromatography (GC) as a preferred analytical method despite its lack of reliability and constant maintenance requirements. A GC will cost roughly \$1 million to acquire and operate during its 10-year lifetime. Operational costs include carrier gases, sampling system maintenance, columns, and the need for experienced analyzer technicians to keep the GC running within specification.

A MarqMetrix® Raman spectrometer eliminates all of these additional costs while offering superior analysis that requires NO calibration – ever.



MarqMetrix® All-In-One Raman System

### RAMAN VS. GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY

**RAMAN** 

**SPECTROSCOPY** 

	SPECIROSCOPY	CHROWATOGRAPHY
Analysis Time	Seconds	Minutes
Ease of Use	Yes	No
Sample Prep Required	None	Sample prep is required
Calibration	No; Factory-calibrated	Yes; Weekly maintenance
Setup Time	15 mins	Days
Scientist Required	No	Yes
Cost of Ownership / 10 years	\$100,000	\$1,000,000

#### **TAKEAWAYS**

- A Raman spectrometer is easy to install:
  NO sophisticated sampling system, carrier gas or consumables required
- Affordable with a low capital investment
- · Zero ongoing operating expenses:
  - NO yearly planned maintenance by the vendor
  - NO weekly/monthly/quarterly/yearly maintenance by an analyzer technician
  - Ultra-stable solid-state device
  - · NO moving parts
  - MTBF for key components > 10 years
- Rapid analysis:
  Results in seconds, not minutes
- Superior analysis data every 6 seconds
- Uptime better than 99%:
   Designed to analyze 24/7/365

  NO intervention by analyzer techs, and NO Ph.D. scientists required
- Able to use existing enclosure, power, conduit, I/O



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### RAMAN IN ACTION: GC REPLACEMENT APPLICATION NOTE

A manufacturer is currently using a **MarqMetrix All-In-One (AIO) Raman System** to replace their existing Process GCs at the end of their lifecycles.

#### Requirements:

- Replace the existing sample extraction probe with a simple MarqMetrix process BallProbe® immersion optic
- Replace existing sample transfer tubing with flexible armored weather-resistant fiber-optic signal transfer cable
- Remove the sample conditioning system and calibration system (neither are required for the MarqMetrix AIO Raman System)
- Remove the gas chromatograph oven and controller
- Utilize existing power & signal conduits with their wiring & I/O

#### Solution:

The AIO Raman spectrometer [mounted inside of a NEMA 4X welded SS enclosure (24in x 24in x 16in), heated and cooled with thermostatic-control, certified to ANSI/ISA-12.12.01-2000 for use in Hazardous (Classified) Locations Class I Groups A - D Div. 2 (outdoor)] can economically replace process gas chromatographs that are reaching the end of their lifecycle.





MarqMetrix All-In-One Raman System in SS Enclosure NO Sampling System

